

Thursday, August 10, 2000

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Re: Final Progmatic EIR/EIS

Dear Mr. Sack:

I am concerned about how Cal-Fed programs will affect the environment on farms and ranches. It should study the environmental impact of Cal-Feds plans to convert nearly a quarter of a million acres of farmland to habitat and other uses. Cal-Fed should seek ways to avoid taking farmland out of production. To maintain productive farms, farmers need reliable and affordable water. Cal-Fed must move to develop new water storage that provides adequate yield. Without more storage, California will not have enough water for the growing population of this state in another ten to twenty years. It looks like a good time to re-think about building the Auburn Dam.

Cal-Fed should hold public hearings to explain its plans before they become final. Cal-Fed should also tell us how its plan has changed and how it will effect people. It should not finalize its plan until citizens have adequate opportunity to review it and comment on it.

Sincerely,

  
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